

MONROE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MAY 24, 2013

Marathon Government Center
Marathon, Florida

9:00AM

Board Members Present:

David Paul Horan, Chair
Bob Johnson
Steve Torrence
RaiEtte Avel
Michael Ingram

Staff Present:

Tina Boan, Budget Director
Laura deLoach-Hartle, Grants Administrator
Lisa Tennyson, Director of Legislative Affairs

County Commissioners Present:

Commissioner Sylvia Murphy

The meeting was called to order at 9:10am by D.P. Horan.

Staff introductions were made. Human Service Advisory Board (HSAB) members D.P. Horan, B. Johnson, S. Torrence, R. Avel and Michael Ingram stated their names and their affiliations. There were no affiliations with applicant organizations.

Motion was made by B. Johnson to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2013 meeting. M. Ingram seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

The Board discussed requests for three category changes and four new applicants. Discussion followed regarding the categories and how the categories are weighted. R. Avel motioned to place the new applicant, A Positive Step of Monroe County into the Core services category. The motion was unanimous. Motion was made by B. Johnson for Anchors Aweigh Club to remain as providing Quality of Life services. The motion was unanimous. Motion was made by R. Avel to keep Be the Change, Monroe Youth Challenge program in the Quality of Life services category. The motion was unanimous. S. Torrence made a motion to place Burton Memorial United Methodist Church in the Core services category. The motion was unanimous. R. Avel made a motion for Habitat for Humanity of the Upper Keys to be listed in the Core services category. The motion was unanimous. A motion was made by S. Torrence to move Helpline from Quality of Life services over to the Core services category. The motion was unanimous. S. Torrence made a motion for the Southernmost Homeless Assistance League to be identified as Core services. The motion was unanimous.

Beginning at 9:28am applicants answered questions regarding their application and made statements regarding their funding request. During the applicant presentations L. deLoach-Hartle reminded the Board capital expenditures were not an allowable use of HSAB funding and reminded the applicants of the contract guidelines in the agreements. Applicants spoke in the order their applications were received as noted below.

Literacy Volunteers of America

Star of the Sea Foundation: discussed sources of food acquisition and consolidation opportunities.

Florida Keys Outreach Coalition: noted application has remained the same.

American Red Cross: clarified 2.5 employees in Monroe County.

Monroe Association for ReMARCAble Citizens: discussed loss of funding from the State.

Florida Keys Area Health Education Center: discussed the unique, needed services they provide.

Heart of the Keys Recreation Association: clarified they have two positions, and filled out Attachment D incorrectly.

Be the Change-Kids Come First & Monroe Youth Challenge: discussed this year their request was combined.

The Good Health Clinic: discussed services provided and the large amount of in-kind and donated services.

Anchors Aweigh Club: discussed number of staff members (3), and funding for facilities maintenance.

Boys and Girls Clubs of the Keys: discussed taking over the Big Pine Athletic Association.

Independence Cay: discussed sharing a director with KAIR and filled out Attachment D incorrectly.

Keys Area Interdenominational Resources: discussed food collection and distribution.

Helpline: discussed the utilization of volunteers.

The meeting paused for a break at 11:20am and resumed at 11:39am. D.P. Horan then made a request for Dan Smith with Rural Health Network to address the Board regarding their new designation as a Federally Qualified Health Center and the associated benefits. D. Smith elaborated on the new designation, the Federal Tort and the pharmacy benefit.

The applicants then resumed addressing the Board as noted below. During the applicant presentations D.P. Horan mentioned the Shared Asset Board funding and its' unspent funds from prior years that could possibly be used to supplement existing funding.

Burton Memorial UMC: discussed their food pantry and incorrectly filled out Attachment D.

Southernmost Homeless Assistance League: discussed the Mobile Outreach Program.

Aids Help: discussed salaries and consolidation of positions and collaboration with Wesley House for a shared IT department.

Grace Jones: discussed the back pack program and filled out Attachment D incorrectly.

Habitat for Humanity of the Upper Keys: discussed using funding for salaries and filled out Application D incorrectly.

Heron Peacock: discussed number of beds and locations.

Wesley House: discussed a foster care drive and a reduction of funding and staff.

Florida Keys Children's Shelter: discussed no changes in their application.

Womankind: discussed extending services, accepting Medicaid and Medicare, clarified they have had no raises, and funding for Bridging the Gap.

Hospice: discussed a loss of funding.

A Positive Step: discussed changes in funding and only evidence based in-home family therapy provider.

Samuel's House: discussed now licensed for substance abuse treatment and services provided.

Domestic Abuse Shelter: discussed professional fees and CEO salary.

Rural Health Network: discussed their designation as a Federally Qualified Health Center and using electronic medical records and expanding services.

Healthy Start: discussed they will be losing funding.

The meeting paused for a break at 2:16pm and reconvened at 2:42pm. Discussion then began on the funding allocation. B. Johnson suggested using last year's figures as a guideline for this year. D.P. Horan then led the Board discussion of each applicant and the amounts requested noting prior years funding amounts. During discussion, D.P. Horan mentioned using HSAB unspent funds from prior year. Staff indicated all funds are normally fully spent. Board also discussed asking the Board of County Commissioner's for additional funding. A detailed discussion can be found at:

<http://view.liveindexer.com/ViewIndexSessionSLMQ.aspx?ecm=635095097170675000&indexSessionSKU=bD0/wy7bAfJPtS65i97r5Q%3D%3D&siteSKU=qoO9+8C6gRWyzrz1siMncQ%3D%3D>

Upon review of each request the following final recommendations were made which will be presented to the BOCC for approval:

<u>Applicants</u>	<u>Recommended Amount</u>
Literacy Volunteers	\$10,000
Star of the Sea	\$55,000
Fl Keys Outreach Coalition	\$43,000
American Red Cross	\$15,000
MARC	\$155,000
FK AHEC	\$45,000
Heart of the Keys	\$35,000
Be The Change	\$40,000
Good Health Clinic	\$60,000
Anchors Aweigh Club	\$5,000
Boys and Girls Club	\$99,000
Independence Cay	\$25,000
KAIR	\$25,000
Helpline	\$10,000
Burton Memorial UMC	\$5,000
SHAL	\$0
AIDS Help	\$30,000
Grace Jones	\$40,000
Habitat for Humanity-UK	\$0
Heron Peacock	\$35,000
Wesley House	\$157,000
FK Children's Shelter	\$159,000

Womankind	\$93,600
Hospice of the Florida Keys	\$141,000
A Positive Step of Monroe County	\$20,000
Samuel's House	\$90,000
Domestic Abuse Shelter	\$30,000
Rural Health Network	\$300,000
FK Healthy Start	\$30,000
Total	\$1,752,600

Motion was made by S. Torrence to accept the final recommendations, as noted above. B. Johnson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

In other business, Lou Hernandez, Executive Director of Helpline, addressed the Board to let them know he will be retiring and this would be his last meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:17pm.